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Box Patent Application

Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)
Appl. No. To be assigned; Filed: February 12, 2002
For: **Method, System, and Apparatus for Binary Traversal of a Tag Population**
Inventors: *Shanks et al.*
Our Ref: 1689.0210001

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S.
Patent and Trademark Office:

1. PTO Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17);
2. USPTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form PTO/SB/05;
3. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

Method, System, and Apparatus for Binary Traversal of a Tag Population

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and naming as inventors:

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the application comprising:

- a. specification containing:
 - i. 134 pages of description prior to the claims;
 - ii. 20 pages of claims (65 claims); and
 - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- b. 55 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1-45);
- c. an executed Declaration; and
- d. an Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);

4. 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time;
5. Recordation Form Cover Sheet;
6. An executed Assignment to Matrics, Inc., recordation of which is hereby respectfully requested;
7. Two (2) return postcards; and
8. Our check number 34176 for \$1,445.00 to cover: \$370.00 filing fee; \$405.00 fee for excess claims; \$630.00 fee for independent claims over 3; and \$40.00 assignment recordation fee.

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It is respectfully requested that, of the two attached postcards, one be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier, and the other, prepaid postcard, be stamped with the filing date and unofficial application number and returned as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No	1689.0210001
First Inventor	Shanks et al.
Title	Method, System, and Apparatus for Binary Traversal of a Tag Population
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02/12/02**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3. Specification [Total Pages 155]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the Invention
- Cross Reference to Related Applications
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 55]

Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 4]
a. Newly executed (original or copy)
b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
i. **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.

7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program
(Appendix)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
ii. paper
c. Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)

11. English Translation Document (if applicable)

12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations

13. Preliminary Amendment

14. Return Receipt Postcards (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)

15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)

16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.

17. Other: Authorization under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)
 Other: The name of the assignee is: Matrics, Inc.

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Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-Part (CIP)
Prior application information: Examiner _____ of prior application No: _____ / _____
Group/Art Unit: _____

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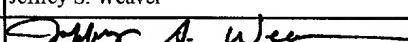
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See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
191	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	\$370.00
196	330	206	165	Design filing fee	
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 370.00)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Extra	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims 65	- 20** = 45 X 9	= \$405.00
Indep. Claims 18	- 3** = 15 X 42	= \$630.00
Multiple Dependent	0	= 0

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim
108	84	209	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	*Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES
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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	130	123	130	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	481	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40.00
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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